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SUBJECT: POULTRY/COGNAC/POTATO STARCH

1. DUTCH MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE VAN DER STEE DRUING MY
INITIAL COURTESY CALL DECEMBER 6 MADE POINT THAT DUTCH
BELIEVE US DECISION ON POULTRY/COGNAC WITH NO ACTION TO
REMOVE OR TO REDUCE "PENALTY": RATES ON POTATO STARCH AND
DEXTRINE LEAVES DUTCH WORSE OFF THAN FRENCH DESPITE FACT
DUTCH EXERT THEIR ZBEST EYTORT" ON BEHALF OF US AS AGREED
DURING VAN DER STEE'S SEPARATE MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON IN
SEPTEMBER WITH FORMER SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE BUTZ AND STR
AMBASSADOR DENT. IN EFFECT, VAN DER STEE REGARDS PARTIAL
RESTORATION OF USG DUTY RATES ON BRANDIES WITH NO DOWNWARD
ADJUSTMENT OF DUTY RATES ON POTATO STARCH AND POTATO DEXTRINE
AS BEING DISCRIMINATORY AGAINST THE DUTCH.

2. IF POSSIBLE, I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE RATHER
THAN LET IT UNDULY AFFECT OUR GOOD TRADE RELATIONS WITH
THE DUTCH. THEREFORE, GIVEN PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT AND
OBVIOUSLY CONTINUING SENSITIVITY OF VAN DER STEE, I WOULD
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WELCOME CURRENT GUIDANCE ON THIS ISSUE INCLUDING WHETHER

THERE IS ANYTHING WE MIGHT SAY TO SALVE DUTCH FEELINGS OR
AT LEAST TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT.
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